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Each document listed in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from the United States Patent Office in a counterpart PCT application, and this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

- 1. U.S. Patent No. 6,037,456 issued March 14, 2000, to Garger et al.
- 2. US2002/0088024 A1 Patent App. Pub. Garger et al., Pub. Jul. 4, 2002.
- 3. Lamsal et al., Separation of Protein Fractions in Alfalfa Juice: Effects of Some Pre-treatment Methods. <u>TEKRAN</u>. Published September 6, 2002 by the United States Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service.

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that these references be considered by the Examiner and made of record as part of the "available prior art" under 37 C.F.R. §1.104.

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